

## **Public Notice – Environmental Project**

### **PURPOSE OF NOTICE:**

The Department of Environmental Quality seeks public comment on the state's response to the environmental aspects of a proposed project in the City of Norfolk, Virginia.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:**

January 27, 2017 to February 24, 2017

### **TYPE OF RESPONSE:**

Federal Consistency Certification

DEQ is reviewing a proposed federal activity to determine whether it is consistent with the Virginia Coastal Zone Management (CZM) Program established pursuant to the federal Coastal Zone Management Act. The CZM Program seeks to protect the quality of air, water or other natural resources in Virginia's coastal area.

### **NAME OF AGENCY PROPOSING THE PROJECT:**

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

### **PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**

The Norfolk District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) is reviewing a Joint Permit Application submitted by Lyon Shipyard, Inc. (applicant) for the issuance of an individual permit pursuant to Sections 401 and 404 of the Clean Water Act (CWA) (Public Law 95-217) for impacts to jurisdictional waters of the United States and State Waters from the Lyon Shipyard- Drydock #3 project in the City of Norfolk. The shipyard is located at 1818 Brown Avenue and the purpose of the project is to allow the shipyard to remain competitive in the current ship repair industry and provide opportunity for growth and expansion. The scope of work includes dredging of state-owned bottom lands, the removal of an existing pier and the addition of a 210-foot sheetpile bulkhead and ramp to provide access from the shipyard to the drydock. The drydock will be 380-feet by 124-feet in size, including the aprons. A basin will be dredged to a depth of minus 42 mean low water (MLW) and will result in approximately 3.13-acres of impacts to subaqueous lands. Additionally, two 10 by 5-foot cap dolphins with steel piles will be constructed to moor the drydock resulting in impacts to 1,540 square feet (sf) of submerged lands. The bulkhead installation will impact approximately 410 sf of non-vegetated tidal wetlands. The applicant has submitted a Federal Consistency Certification which finds the proposed action consistent with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program.

### **HOW TO COMMENT:**

DEQ accepts comments from the public by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ within the comment period. The public may review the project documents at DEQ's central office in Richmond.

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